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in Fig. 7;

On page 5, line 8, delete "Figs. 8(a)-(d)" and insert therefor --Figs. 9(a)-9(d)--.

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On page 5, line 4, delete "Fig. 9" and insert therefor -- Fig. 10--.

On page 5, line 10, delete "Fig. 8" and insert therefor -- Figs. 9(a)-9(d)--.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 3 [4], wherein the image analyzer comprises a registration detector for identifying the registration of one image with respect to another.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted prior to examination for the purposes of correcting a claim dependency, adding a description of Fig. 8 in the brief description of the drawings, and correcting incorrect references to Figs. 9 and 10 in the brief description of the drawings.

In the event the Examiner considers a personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is hereby requested to call Attorney for Applicant(s), Thomas Zell.

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